The balance requirement for 5.56 mm INSAS Rifles and SLRs is being allocated in 2002-2003.

NLFT camps in Bangladesh

3262. SHRI NARENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Liberation Front of Tripura (NLFT), supported by Pakistani ISI had set up about 20 camps in Bangladesh and NSCN (IM) militants are training the NLFT militants as revealed by Chief Minister of Tripura in the North-Eastern Council Meet held in February, 2002; and

(b) if so, what steps both at diplomatic and security levels have been taken to effectively tackle the situation before it assumes dangerous proportion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) There have been reports that the NLFT has a number of camps in Bangladesh and the group as been receiving help and guidance, by way of arms supply, training of its cadres, joint operations etc. from NSCN(IM) within the territory of Bangladesh.

(b) The issue is regularly taken up on bilateral basis with Bangladesh. Bangladesh has repeatedly stated categorically that it will not allow its territory to be used for terrorism or against the interests of another friendly country. The Government have also called upon the terrorists to give up the path of violence and come to the mainstream and solve their problems through negotiated settlement. The measures taken at security levels *inter-alia* include deployment of CPMFs along border area and the fencing of border.

Terrorists wanted in India staying in UAE

3263. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of fugitive terrorists wanted by India are in United Arab Emirate and other countries;

(b) whether similarly a number of Narcotic Smugglers, Criminals accused of Economic Offences, smuggling weapons and explosives into India are staying in UAE, Bangladesh and many other countries;

(c) whether renewed efforts are being made for their extradition; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?